Projections of the Voting-Age Population, for States: November 1992

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INTRODUCTION

This report presents projections of the population of voting age (18 years and over) for States for November 1, 1992, by broad age groups and sex and for the White, Black, and other races populations.[1] The projections shown here are based on the April 1, 1990, population as enumerated in the 1990 census.

These projections are designed to serve as a reference for the primary elections and the November general elections for President and members of the 103d Congress of the United States. They are for the resident population of the United States, including members of the Armed Forces where they reside at their duty stations. They exclude the population overseas and their dependents of voting age who would be eligible to vote by absentee ballot in their home States.

In addition to projections of the voting-age population for States for 1992, this report includes voting-age population estimates and the percent voting for President in 1984 and 1988. Table 3 shows voting-age population and vote totals for the United States since 1930.

[1]No further information on age, sex, and race distributions for the voting-age population for November 1992 will be published by the Bureau of the Census.

GENERAL TRENDS

Age distribution. The voting-age population of the United States is expected to reach 189.0 million persons by November 1, 1992, an increase of 6.3 million, or 3.4 percent, since the 1988 Presidential election (table A).

The past three decades have shown a large increase in the size of the U.S. voting-age population. In 1960, persons of voting age (21 years and over in most States) numbered 109.7 million. The 1992 projection of 189 million thus represents a 72-percent increase in the number of persons who on the basis of age are eligible to register to vote. Two major factors account for the large increases in recent decades: (1) the leading edge of the large birth cohorts of the Baby Boom (1946 to 1964) became old enough to vote beginning in the middle- and late-1960's, and these large cohorts continued to enlarge the voting-age population throughout the 1970's and early 1980's, and (2) ratification of the 22nd Constitutional Amendment granted eligibility to 18- to 20-year-olds in all States in time for the 1972 Presidential election, adding 11 million persons to the age-eligible population in 1972.

Since around 1982, however, when the smaller cohorts born after the Baby Boom began to reach age 18, the growth in the voting-age population has slowed from

Table A. **Estimated Voting-Age Population and Change Since Last Election: 1968 to 1992**

(Numbers in thousands. Beginning 1972, ages 18 and over; prior to 1972, ages 21 and over for all States except four)

November of year	Voting-age population	Change since previous election		November of year	Voting-age population	Change since previous election	
		Number	Percent			Number	Percent
1992[1]	189,044	3,232	1.7	1978	158,369	6,061	4.0
1990	185,812	3,033	1.7	1976	152,308	5,970	4.1
1988	182,779	4,213	2.4	1974	146,338	5,561	4.0
1986	178,566	4,098	2.3	1972	140,777	16,279	13.1
1984	174,468	4,532	2.7	1970	124,498	4,213	3.5
1982	169,936	5,341	3.2	1968	120,285	3,647	3.1
1980	164,595	6,226	3.9				

[1]Projection.

Source: Table 3.

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about 4 percent per biennium in the 1970's to around 3 percent in the early 1980s and even less in recent years.

Aging of the Baby Boomers has meant that growth in the voting-age population continues to be concentrated in the 25-to-44 age group (table B). Since 1980, this group has increased by 19.0 million persons, from 62.7 to 81.7 million, and is now almost totally composed of the Baby Boom cohorts (persons now 28 to 46 years old). This group has increased its already dominant share of the voting-age population from 38.5 percent in 1980 to a projected 43.2 percent in 1992. During the 1980-92 period, the 65-and-over group will have grown by 6.8 million persons, increasing its share of the voting-age population from 15.7 to 17.1 percent. In contrast, the 45-to-64 group will have grown by only 4.1 million persons, dropping its share of the voting-age population from 27.3 percent in 1980 to 25.7 percent in 1992.

The size of the 18-to-24 age group continues to decline as the smaller post-Baby Boom birth cohorts of the 1960's and 1970's reach voting age. This group will have lost 3.6 million persons between 1980 and 1992, and will constitute only 14.0 percent of the total voting-age population in November 1992.

The age distribution of the voting-age population will be similar among most States, although in Florida, half (50.2 percent) of the voting-age population will be above age 45 (table 1), and almost one-fourth (24.1 percent) will be above age 65. Alaska will have the youngest voting-age population, with 15.9 percent of its voting-age population falling between the ages of 18 and 24 and 55.4 percent between the ages 25 to 44 years.

Sex. Women will represent 52.0 percent of the voting-age population in November 1992, outnumbering men by 7.7 million (table 1). They will outnumber men in all voting-age groups except for ages 18 to 24, where men will outnumber women by 824,000. Among persons 65 and over, women represent 59.8 percent. Women will outnumber men in all States except Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada, and Wyoming.

Race.[2] By November 1992, Blacks 18 and over will number 21.5 million and represent 11.4 percent of the persons of voting age (table 1). Another 7.2 million or 3.8 percent of the voting-age population will be races other than White or Black; persons of other races include Asian, Pacific Islander, American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut.

The District of Columbia will have a higher proportion of Blacks in its electorate (64.3 percent) than any State. At least 1 out of every 5 persons of voting-age in Mississippi, Louisiana, South Carolina, Georgia, Maryland, Alabama, and North Carolina will be Black.

The voting-age population of races other than Black or White is concentrated in the western States. Alaska and Hawaii are States with high concentrations of other races: in Alaska, 17.7 percent of the voting-age population are other races (mostly American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut); in Hawaii, almost two-thirds (62.7 percent) of the population are of other races (mainly Asian or Pacific Islander). California, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Arizona, Washington, Montana, and Nevada are the only other States having more than 5 percent of their voting-age populations of other races.

VOTER TURNOUT

The "official" count of votes shown in table 3 is based on tabulations of actual voters provided by each State and compiled by the U.S. Congress, Clerk of the House, and published in *Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Elections* and *Statistics of the Congressional Elections* or by the Election Research Center, and published in its volumes, *America Votes*.

[2]Because much of the data necessary to develop population projections using the cohort component technique is disaggregated according to three racial categories—White, Black, and other races—separate projections for each of the individual other races, i.e., Asians, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, Eskimos, and Aleuts, were not developed. For the same reasons, projections of the Hispanic voting-age population, by State, were not developed.

Table B. **Population 18 Years and Over, by Broad Age Groups: 1960 to 1992**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year	Total	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Percent of total: 18 to 24 years	Percent of total: 25 to 44 years	Percent of total: 45 to 64 years	Percent of total: 65 years and over
1992 (Nov. 1)[1]	189,044	26,392	81,745	48,555	32,352	14.0	43.2	25.7	17.1
1990 (census)	184,786	26,942	80,595	46,169	31,079	14.6	43.6	25.0	16.8
1988 (Nov. 1)[2]	182,779	26,570	79,437	46,181	30,591	14.5	43.5	25.3	16.7
1980 (census)	162,791	30,022	62,717	44,503	25,549	18.4	38.5	27.3	15.7
1970 (census)	133,568	23,697	47,995	41,810	20,066	17.7	35.9	31.3	15.0
1960 (census)	115,121	15,604	46,899	36,057	16,560	13.6	40.7	31.3	14.4

[1]Projection.
[2]Estimate.

Source: Table 1 and decennial censuses for 1960, 1970, 1980, and 1990.

The count of votes shown in table 3 should not be confused with **estimates** of voter participation published regularly in U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-20, which are obtained from household respondents in the Current Population Survey (CPS), and relate to the civilian noninstitutional population. Survey estimates, which provide information on the voting and registration patterns of population groups, indicate levels of voting considerably higher than those supported by official voting records.

Table 3 shows that voter turnout in the 1988 Presidential election was 50.1 percent, down 3 percentage points from the 1984 election, and far below the 62.8 percent turnout in the 1960 election. From 1960 to 1980, each Presidential election resulted in lower levels of voter turnout, with the sharpest decline of 5.7 percentage points between 1968 and 1972. This decline resulted from the lowering of the voting age from 21 to 18 in all States, the increase in the proportion of low-turnout young people as Baby Boomers came of voting age, and the general decline in turnout over the past two decades. In 1984, turnout rose slightly to 53.1 percent, but dropped again in 1988 to 50.1 percent.

Because of the substantial increases in the voting-age population, the number of voters increased steadily until 1988, when voters dropped by more than a million, although the voting-age population continued to increase.

Highest voter turnout traditionally occurs in the West North Central States and New England (table 2). Minnesota had the highest voter turnout of any State, with 65.5 percent voting in the 1988 Presidential election. Other States with very high voter turnout in the 1988 election were Montana (62.5 percent) and North Dakota (61.4 percent); additional States with more than 60 percent voting included Maine, Wisconsin, South Dakota, and Utah.

The lowest voter turnout in the 1988 Presidential election was in South Carolina (39.0 percent). The South has consistently had the lowest voter turnout, but the gap between the South and the remainder of the United States is not now nearly as great as before the voting rights reforms of the 1960's.

POPULATION INELIGIBLE TO REGISTER

The population of voting age includes a number of persons who meet the age requirement but cannot vote because they cannot register. Because of shortened State residence requirements for voting in national elections and the availability of absentee ballots, few persons are now disenfranchised because they change residence before the election. Since citizenship is a universal requirement for registering in the United States, aliens are the principal group of ineligible voting-age persons. According to the November 1990 Current Population Survey on Voting and Registration, an estimated 10.5 million persons aged 18 years and over (or nearly 6 percent) were aliens. Census Bureau research to evaluate decennial census coverage estimated that about 2 million undocumented immigrants (all ages) were included in Current Population Surveys in 1988[3] and 1989[4]. These estimates of undocumented residents will be updated by analysis of 1990 census data.[5]

METHODOLOGY

The projections of the voting-age population for States use the cohort-component method, which requires separate assumptions for each of the components of population change. The fertility, mortality, and international migration asumptions are consistent with those used in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 1053, which also explains the derivation and application of these assumptions. The internal migration assumptions involve the application of time-series methods to annual data on State-to-State migration for the years 1975 to 1989. The particular time-series model used assumes that for each State-to-State migration rate the change that occurs in a given year is a function of the change that occurred in the previous year. The research that led to our adoption of this model is presented in Edward Freese, *Forecasting State-to-State Migration Rates*, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Statistical Research Division Report, Series, RR-90/06.

RACE DEFINITIONS

The population is divided into three groups on the basis of race: White, Black, and "other races." The term "other races" refers to that portion of the United States population that is neither White nor Black. The "other races" category includes American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut; Asian or Pacific Islander; and any other specified race.

RELATED REPORTS

Projections of the voting-age population as of November 1 for States, by age, sex, and race are published biennially in Current Population Reports, Series P-25.

[3]Karen A. Woodrow, 1990, and Jeffrey S. Passel, 1990, "Post-IRCA Undocumented Immigration to the United States: An Assessment Based on the June 1988 CPS." *Undocumented Migration to the Unitead States: IRCA and the Experience of the 1980's,* edited by F.D. Bean, B. Edmonston, and J.S. Passel, Washington, DC.: The Urban Institute.

[4]Karen A. Woodrow, 1990, "Undocumented Immigrantss Living in the United States." *Proceedings of the Social Statistics Section of the American Statistical Association,* Washington, DC.

[5]No questions about legal status are included in the census or CPS. Research to estimate undocumented aliens in censuses and surveys is based on analysis of aggregate figures.

The estimates of the voting-age population for November 1982 through 1988 are consistent with estimates of the population of States, by age, for July 1, 1981 to 1989, published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 1058.

ROUNDING OF ESTIMATES

The estimates shown in the tables in this report have been rounded to the nearest thousand without adjustment to group totals, which are independently rounded.

Table 1. Projections of the Population of Voting Age, for States, by Sex, Race, and Selected Ages: November 1992

(Numbers in thousands. Population 18 years and over. Includes Armed Forces in each State)

State and race	Total, 18 and over	Male					Female				
		Total, 18 and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Total, 18 and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over
UNITED STATES											
Total	189,044	90,682	13,608	40,670	23,405	12,999	98,362	12,784	41,075	25,150	19,353
White	160,286	77,313	11,009	34,155	20,424	11,725	82,973	10,263	33,805	21,545	17,360
Black	21,519	9,885	1,957	4,759	2,176	993	11,634	1,919	5,404	2,692	1,619
Other	7,239	3,484	642	1,756	805	281	3,755	602	1,866	913	374
ALABAMA											
Total	3,056	1,433	227	609	385	212	1,623	221	642	429	331
White	2,326	1,110	160	464	316	170	1,216	152	465	338	261
Black	700	309	64	138	66	41	391	66	169	87	69
Other	30	14	3	7	3	1	16	3	8	4	1
ALASKA											
Total	395	207	33	115	49	10	188	30	104	42	12
White	310	165	25	92	40	8	145	22	81	33	9
Black	15	8	2	5	1	-	7	2	4	1	
Other	70	34	6	18	8	2	36	6	19	8	3
ARIZONA											
Total	2,749	1,342	200	587	336	219	1,407	181	576	361	289
White	2,492	1,215	173	521	311	210	1,277	157	511	332	277
Black	76	40	8	21	8	3	36	6	18	8	4
Other	181	87	19	45	17	6	94	18	47	21	6
ARKANSAS											
Total	1,768	834	122	337	228	147	934	117	354	249	214
White	1,505	717	98	285	204	130	788	92	291	218	187
Black	242	107	22	47	22	16	135	23	58	28	26
Other	21	10	2	5	2	1	11	2	5	3	1
CALIFORNIA											
Total	22,668	11,262	1,791	5,434	2,688	1,349	11,406	1,537	5,131	2,805	1,933
White	18,490	9,237	1,425	4,407	2,233	1,172	9,253	1,209	4,071	2,287	1,686
Black	1,674	821	154	425	174	68	853	135	420	194	104
Other	2,504	1,204	212	602	281	109	1,300	193	640	324	143
COLORADO											
Total	2,501	1,227	184	589	312	142	1,274	164	583	323	204
White	2,336	1,145	166	547	295	137	1,191	150	541	304	196
Black	97	50	11	26	10	3	47	8	23	11	5
Other	68	32	7	16	7	2	36	6	19	8	3
CONNECTICUT											
Total	2,535	1,210	160	543	327	180	1,325	152	551	348	274
White	2,293	1,096	138	485	301	172	1,197	130	488	317	262
Black	198	92	18	46	21	7	106	18	51	26	11
Other	44	22	4	12	5	1	22	4	12	5	1
DELAWARE											
Total	525	250	38	112	65	35	275	38	115	70	52
White	429	205	29	90	55	31	224	29	90	59	46
Black	86	40	8	19	9	4	46	8	22	10	6
Other	10	5	1	3	1	-	5	1	3	1	-
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA											
Total	459	209	33	97	52	27	250	36	105	60	49
White	155	76	12	38	18	8	79	12	36	17	14
Black	295	129	20	57	33	19	166	23	67	42	34
Other	9	4	1	2	1	-	5	1	2	1	1

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FLORIDA											
Total	10,586	5,037	628	2,014	1,309	1,086	5,549	592	2,039	1,458	1,460
White	9,183	4,385	504	1,691	1,162	1,028	4,798	465	1,679	1,284	1,370
Black	1,245	578	111	285	129	53	667	114	317	152	84
Other	158	74	13	38	18	5	84	13	43	22	6
GEORGIA											
Total	4,950	2,355	384	1,102	606	263	2,595	363	1,151	656	425
White	3,646	1,767	264	805	485	213	1,879	241	799	504	335
Black	1,235	555	113	279	114	49	680	116	332	144	88
Other	69	33	7	18	7	1	36	6	20	8	2
HAWAII											
Total	889	445	73	202	106	64	444	61	196	113	74
White	313	167	30	82	37	18	146	21	71	33	21
Black	19	12	4	7	1	-	7	2	4	1	-
Other	557	266	39	113	68	46	291	38	121	79	53
IDAHO											
Total	740	364	56	158	95	55	376	53	157	95	71
White	718	353	53	153	93	54	365	51	151	93	70
Black	3	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Other	19	9	2	4	2	1	10	2	5	2	1
ILLINOIS											
Total	8,568	4,094	617	1,850	1,056	571	4,474	575	1,874	1,139	886
White	7,130	3,435	486	1,538	902	509	3,695	447	1,511	948	789
Black	1,188	537	110	249	124	54	651	108	298	159	86
Other	250	122	21	63	30	8	128	20	65	32	11
INDIANA											
Total	4,176	1,986	311	866	526	283	2,190	303	890	562	435
White	3,828	1,827	279	792	490	266	2,001	270	803	518	410
Black	306	139	28	63	32	16	167	29	75	39	24
Other	42	20	4	11	4	1	22	4	12	5	1
IOWA											
Total	2,075	986	144	412	259	171	1,089	139	415	275	260
White	2,020	959	137	398	254	170	1,061	133	401	270	257
Black	32	16	4	8	3	1	16	3	8	3	2
Other	23	11	3	6	2	-	12	3	6	2	1
KANSAS											
Total	1,836	887	135	387	224	141	949	122	382	235	210
White	1,694	817	118	353	211	135	877	108	348	220	201
Black	100	50	12	24	9	5	50	9	23	11	7
Other	42	20	5	10	4	1	22	5	11	4	2
KENTUCKY											
Total	2,779	1,321	207	569	354	191	1,458	196	591	381	290
White	2,574	1,226	185	527	334	180	1,348	177	542	357	272
Black	186	86	20	38	18	10	100	17	44	22	17
Other	19	9	2	4	2	1	10	2	5	2	1
LOUISIANA											
Total	2,992	1,411	231	627	362	191	1,581	224	660	405	292
White	2,096	1,008	148	440	274	146	1,088	141	435	292	220
Black	852	381	78	176	83	44	471	79	214	108	70
Other	44	22	5	11	5	1	22	4	11	5	2

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MAINE											
Total	944	451	65	199	120	67	493	61	206	125	101
White	932	445	63	196	119	67	487	60	202	124	101
Black	3	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Other	9	4	1	2	1	-	5	1	3	1	-
MARYLAND											
Total	3,719	1,770	248	838	470	214	1,949	239	881	502	327
White	2,684	1,293	165	594	357	177	1,391	156	596	369	270
Black	909	416	73	213	97	33	493	74	251	116	52
Other	126	61	10	31	16	4	65	9	34	17	5
MASSACHUSETTS											
Total	4,607	2,167	316	986	549	316	2,440	317	1,013	598	512
White	4,263	2,003	282	900	516	305	2,260	283	924	559	494
Black	226	107	22	55	22	8	119	21	58	27	13
Other	118	57	12	31	11	3	61	13	31	12	5
MICHIGAN											
Total	6,923	3,299	499	1,471	869	460	3,624	491	1,523	926	684
White	5,883	2,826	403	1,252	761	410	3,057	392	1,262	795	608
Black	917	413	84	188	94	47	504	88	229	116	71
Other	123	60	12	31	14	3	63	11	32	15	5
MINNESOTA											
Total	3,278	1,584	220	733	403	228	1,694	216	731	414	333
White	3,131	1,509	203	693	389	224	1,622	200	694	400	328
Black	61	33	7	18	6	2	28	6	15	5	2
Other	86	42	10	22	8	2	44	10	22	9	3
MISSISSIPPI											
Total	1,861	870	151	364	226	129	991	145	390	254	202
White	1,251	599	90	243	172	94	652	82	243	182	145
Black	595	264	59	117	53	35	331	62	143	70	56
Other	15	7	2	4	1	-	8	1	4	2	1
MISSOURI											
Total	3,858	1,820	260	784	487	289	2,038	253	813	527	445
White	3,431	1,627	221	694	444	268	1,804	215	706	472	411
Black	380	170	34	78	38	20	210	34	95	49	32
Other	47	23	5	12	5	1	24	4	12	6	2
MONTANA											
Total	586	286	38	124	78	46	300	36	124	78	62
White	552	270	35	115	75	45	282	33	115	74	60
Black	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	33	15	3	8	3	1	18	3	9	4	2
NEBRASKA											
Total	1,167	558	82	242	143	91	609	79	244	150	136
White	1,111	532	76	229	138	89	579	73	229	144	133
Black	38	18	4	9	4	1	20	4	10	4	2
Other	18	8	2	4	1	1	10	2	5	2	1
NEVADA											
Total	1,013	516	70	241	140	65	497	64	223	134	76
White	901	461	59	213	128	61	440	54	193	121	72
Black	60	30	6	16	6	2	30	6	16	6	2
Other	52	25	5	12	6	2	27	4	14	7	2

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NEW HAMPSHIRE											
Total	852	415	58	196	109	52	437	56	195	109	77
White	837	406	56	191	107	52	431	55	191	108	77
Black	5	4	1	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-
Other	10	5	1	3	1	-	5	1	3	1	-
NEW JERSEY											
Total	5,943	2,823	364	1,274	768	417	3,120	348	1,300	836	636
White	4,940	2,355	283	1,038	654	380	2,585	268	1,039	701	577
Black	780	360	67	176	86	31	420	66	196	107	51
Other	223	108	14	60	28	6	115	14	65	28	8
NEW MEXICO											
Total	1,104	534	80	243	137	74	570	78	247	148	97
White	983	478	68	215	126	69	505	65	215	134	91
Black	20	10	2	5	2	1	10	2	5	2	1
Other	101	46	10	23	9	4	55	11	27	12	5
NEW YORK											
Total	13,609	6,390	921	2,859	1,692	918	7,219	898	2,969	1,900	1,452
White	10,816	5,111	691	2,227	1,381	812	5,705	667	2,263	1,507	1,268
Black	2,194	981	183	477	236	85	1,213	186	554	317	156
Other	599	298	47	155	75	21	301	45	152	76	28
NORTH CAROLINA											
Total	5,217	2,485	410	1,089	651	335	2,732	373	1,120	717	522
White	4,057	1,956	298	842	537	279	2,101	266	832	576	427
Black	1,055	479	101	222	103	53	576	97	260	128	91
Other	105	50	11	25	11	3	55	10	28	13	4
NORTH DAKOTA											
Total	458	226	35	97	55	39	232	30	93	56	53
White	437	216	33	92	53	38	221	28	87	54	52
Black	2	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Other	19	9	2	4	2	1	10	2	5	2	1
OHIO											
Total	8,146	3,642	568	1,677	1,025	572	4,304	560	1,746	1,117	879
White	7,239	3,431	490	1,488	928	525	3,808	481	1,524	996	807
Black	818	368	70	166	87	45	450	71	200	110	69
Other	89	43	8	23	10	2	46	8	24	11	3
OKLAHOMA											
Total	2,328	1,115	170	471	299	175	1,213	155	477	322	259
White	1,973	945	133	393	262	157	1,028	123	394	279	232
Black	157	75	17	35	15	8	82	14	37	18	13
Other	198	95	20	43	22	10	103	18	46	25	14
OREGON											
Total	2,226	1,080	147	479	284	170	1,146	140	477	293	236
White	2,104	1,020	134	448	272	166	1,064	128	446	280	230
Black	34	18	4	9	4	1	16	3	8	3	2
Other	88	42	9	22	8	3	46	9	23	10	4
PENNSYLVANIA											
Total	9,129	4,286	598	1,812	1,143	733	4,843	586	1,863	1,258	1,136
White	8,215	3,869	520	1,617	1,046	686	4,346	509	1,645	1,135	1,057
Black	793	358	66	165	83	44	435	66	187	108	74
Other	121	59	12	30	14	3	62	11	31	15	5

Table 1. **Projections of the Population of Voting Age, for States, by Sex, Race, and Selected Ages: November 1992**—Continued

(Numbers in thousands. Population 18 years and over. Includes Armed Forces in each State)

State and race	Total, 18 and over	Male					Female				
		Total, 18 and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Total, 18 and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over
RHODE ISLAND											
Total	776	364	56	159	91	58	412	55	162	100	95
White	730	342	51	148	86	57	388	50	151	95	92
Black	29	14	3	7	3	1	15	3	7	3	2
Other	17	8	2	4	2	-	9	2	4	2	1
SOUTH CAROLINA											
Total	2,672	1,271	217	561	328	165	1,401	201	583	361	256
White	1,923	932	146	402	256	128	991	132	395	270	194
Black	725	328	68	154	70	36	397	67	181	88	61
Other	24	11	3	5	2	1	13	2	7	3	1
SOUTH DAKOTA											
Total	502	243	36	103	61	43	259	34	101	64	60
White	468	227	32	95	58	42	241	30	93	60	58
Black	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	33	15	4	7	3	1	18	4	8	4	2
TENNESSEE											
Total	3,783	1,786	274	774	485	253	1,997	262	811	531	393
White	3,199	1,524	220	650	430	224	1,675	208	662	460	345
Black	551	246	51	116	51	28	305	51	140	67	47
Other	33	16	3	8	4	1	17	3	9	4	1
TEXAS											
Total	12,524	6,101	996	2,868	1,507	730	6,423	925	2,827	1,599	1,072
White	10,788	5,275	834	2,446	1,335	660	5,513	771	2,379	1,400	963
Black	1,438	678	134	341	140	63	760	129	367	165	99
Other	298	148	28	81	32	7	150	25	81	34	10
UTAH											
Total	1,142	556	106	255	128	67	586	108	254	134	90
White	1,093	533	100	243	124	66	560	102	241	129	88
Black	8	4	1	2	1	-	4	1	2	1	-
Other	41	19	5	10	3	1	22	5	11	4	2
VERMONT											
Total	429	206	31	94	54	27	223	31	96	55	41
White	425	204	31	92	54	27	221	30	95	55	41
Black	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	3	1	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
VIRGINIA											
Total	4,842	2,340	376	1,085	603	276	2,502	335	1,103	641	423
White	3,841	1,872	285	857	501	229	1,969	251	850	518	350
Black	863	404	78	195	87	44	459	73	214	104	68
Other	138	64	13	33	15	3	74	11	39	19	5
WASHINGTON											
Total	3,818	1,875	270	871	482	252	1,943	248	860	487	350
White	3,478	1,708	234	786	448	240	1,770	215	773	448	334
Black	106	58	13	30	11	4	48	9	25	9	5
Other	234	109	23	55	23	8	125	22	62	30	11
WEST VIRGINIA											
Total	1,350	635	93	254	179	109	715	89	268	193	165
White	1,303	614	89	245	174	106	689	85	258	187	159
Black	39	17	3	7	4	3	22	3	8	5	6
Other	8	4	1	2	1	-	4	1	2	1	-

Table 1. **Projections of the Population of Voting Age, for States, by Sex, Race, and Selected Ages: November 1992**—Continued

(Numbers in thousands. Population 18 years and over. Includes Armed Forces in each State)

State and race	Total, 18 and over	Male					Female				
		Total, 18 and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Total, 18 and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over
WISCONSIN											
Total	3,669	1,767	254	783	458	272	1,902	247	786	474	395
White	3,448	1,664	230	732	437	265	1,784	223	726	449	386
Black	159	73	17	36	15	5	86	17	44	18	7
Other	62	30	7	15	6	2	32	7	16	7	2
WYOMING											
Total	322	161	25	74	42	20	161	22	71	41	27
White	312	156	24	71	41	20	156	21	68	40	27
Black	2	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Other	8	4	1	2	1	-	4	1	2	1	-

- Represents zero.

Table 2. **Estimates of the Voting-Age Population, November 1, 1982 to 1990, and Percent Casting Votes for President, by State: November 1988 and 1984**

(Numbers in thousands. 1990 estimates consistent with 1990 census. 1982 to 1988 estimates consistent with 1980 census)

Region, division, and State	Population 18 and over					Percent casting votes for President[1]	
	1990	1988	1986	1984	1982	1988	1984
United States	185,812	182,779	178,566	174,468	169,936	50.1	53.1
Northeast	38,838	38,590	38,064	37,582	36,943	51.4	54.5
New England	10,137	9,950	9,748	9,567	9,342	57.6	58.7
Middle Atlantic	28,701	28,640	28,315	28,015	27,601	49.3	53.1
Midwest	44,160	44,403	43,704	43,240	42,728	55.5	58.8
East North Central	31,133	31,204	30,723	30,373	30,058	54.4	58.0
West North Central	13,027	13,199	12,981	12,867	12,670	58.2	60.8
South	63,821	62,470	61,004	59,257	57,184	45.7	48.7
South Atlantic	33,312	32,069	30,896	29,710	28,502	44.4	47.5
East South Central	11,252	11,254	11,065	10,879	10,662	46.8	50.2
West South Central	19,257	19,148	19,044	18,668	18,021	47.3	49.5
West	38,993	37,316	35,795	34,389	33,081	49.6	52.0
Mountain	9,856	9,548	9,260	8,920	8,548	52.4	53.1
Pacific	29,137	27,768	26,536	25,469	24,533	48.6	51.7
New England:							
Maine	924	908	875	855	831	61.1	64.7
New Hampshire	835	817	775	732	698	55.2	53.1
Vermont	422	420	403	392	382	57.9	59.9
Massachusetts	4,646	4,565	4,502	4,447	4,354	57.7	57.5
Rhode Island	776	765	751	735	721	52.9	55.8
Connecticut	2,534	2,476	2,442	2,405	2,356	58.3	61.0
Middle Atlantic:							
New York	13,683	13,574	13,447	13,331	13,129	47.8	51.1
New Jersey	5,927	5,894	5,811	5,695	5,562	52.6	56.5
Pennsylvania	9,091	9,171	9,057	8,989	8,910	49.5	53.9
East North Central:							
Ohio	8,066	8,059	7,946	7,875	7,816	54.5	57.8
Indiana	4,105	4,111	4,040	3,995	3,942	52.8	55.9
Illinois	8,495	8,636	8,517	8,448	8,354	52.8	57.0
Michigan	6,851	6,805	6,699	6,568	6,509	53.9	57.9
Wisconsin	3,616	3,593	3,522	3,487	3,437	61.0	63.4
West North Central:							
Minnesota	3,222	3,201	3,115	3,057	3,004	65.5	68.2
Iowa	2,061	2,125	2,105	2,125	2,117	57.7	62.1
Missouri	3,813	3,840	3,772	3,709	3,637	54.5	57.2
North Dakota	462	484	488	494	484	61.4	62.6
South Dakota	498	518	511	509	499	60.4	62.5
Nebraska	1,152	1,183	1,171	1,174	1,157	55.9	55.5
Kansas	1,819	1,848	1,818	1,800	1,773	53.7	56.8
South Atlantic:							
Delaware	507	498	477	459	444	50.2	55.4
Maryland	3,640	3,498	3,372	3,259	3,165	49.0	51.4
District of Columbia	481	472	486	490	492	40.9	43.1
Virginia	4,716	4,568	4,392	4,234	4,077	48.0	50.7
West Virginia	1,349	1,398	1,412	1,424	1,422	46.7	51.7
North Carolina	5,061	4,880	4,731	4,586	4,421	43.7	47.4
South Carolina	2,587	2,531	2,458	2,382	2,305	39.0	40.7
Georgia	4,791	4,593	4,421	4,224	4,038	39.4	42.0
Florida	10,180	9,632	9,146	8,651	8,138	44.7	48.3
East South Central:							
Kentucky	2,740	2,752	2,720	2,695	2,656	48.1	50.8
Tennessee	3,685	3,660	3,569	3,489	3,408	44.7	49.1
Alabama	2,995	2,997	2,947	2,892	2,827	46.0	49.9
Mississippi	1,832	1,845	1,827	1,803	1,771	50.5	52.2

Table 2. **Estimates of the Voting-Age Population, November 1, 1982 to 1990, and Percent Casting Votes for President, by State: November 1988 and 1984**—Continued

(Numbers in thousands. 1990 estimates consistent with 1990 census. 1982 to 1988 estimates consistent with 1980 census)

Region, division, and State	Population 18 and over					Percent casting votes for President[1]	
	1990	1988	1986	1984	1982	1988	1984
West South Central:							
Arkansas	1,737	1,750	1,732	1,707	1,667	47.3	51.8
Louisiana	2,988	3,112	3,153	3,131	3,063	52.3	54.5
Oklahoma	2,310	2,366	2,396	2,410	2,367	49.5	52.1
Texas	12,222	11,919	11,764	11,420	10,924	45.5	47.3
Mountain:							
Montana	579	586	587	591	579	62.5	65.0
Idaho	707	703	693	687	668	58.2	59.8
Wyoming	319	339	349	355	355	52.2	53.2
Colorado	2,447	2,440	2,407	2,350	2,264	56.2	55.1
New Mexico	1,075	1,065	1,041	1,001	955	48.9	51.3
Arizona	2,696	2,543	2,400	2,226	2,092	46.1	46.1
Utah	1,104	1,067	1,048	1,021	984	60.7	61.7
Nevada	929	804	734	688	651	43.5	41.7
Pacific:							
Washington	3,650	3,491	3,329	3,226	3,145	53.4	58.4
Oregon	2,140	2,096	2,022	1,984	1,959	57.3	61.8
California	22,124	21,006	20,043	19,152	18,387	47.1	49.6
Alaska	382	359	358	350	314	55.7	59.4
Hawaii	841	815	784	757	728	43.4	44.4

[1]Based on votes cast as shown in Scammon, Richard M. and Alice V. McGillivray, eds. *America Votes 18: A Handbook of Contemporary Election Statistics, Elections.*

Table 3. **Participation in Elections for President and U.S. Representatives: 1930 to 1990**

(Numbers in thousands. As of November 1. Includes Armed Forces. Prior to 1960, excludes Alaska and Hawaii)

Year	Population of voting age	Vote cast				Year	Population of voting age	Vote cast			
		For President	Percent of voting-age population	For U.S. Representatives	Percent of voting-age population			For President	Percent of voting-age population	For U.S. Representatives	Percent of voting-age population
1930	73,623	(x)	(x)	24,777	33.7	1960	109,672	68,838	62.8	64,133	58.5
1932	75,768	39,758	52.5	37,657	49.7	1962	112,952	(x)	(x)	51,267	45.4
1934	77,997	(x)	(x)	32,256	41.4	1964	114,090	70,645	61.9	65,895	57.8
1936	80,174	45,654	56.9	42,886	53.5	1966	116,638	(x)	(x)	52,908	45.4
1938	82,354	(x)	(x)	36,236	44.0	1968	120,285	73,212	60.9	66,288	55.1
1940	84,728	49,900	58.9	46,951	55.4	1970	124,498	(x)	(x)	54,173	43.5
1942	86,465	(x)	(x)	28,074	32.5	1972	140,777	77,719	55.2	71,430	50.7
1944	85,654	47,977	56.0	45,103	52.7	1974	146,338	(x)	(x)	52,495	35.9
1946	92,659	(x)	(x)	34,398	37.1	1976	152,308	81,556	53.5	74,422	48.9
1948	95,573	48,794	51.1	45,933	48.1	1978	158,369	(x)	(x)	55,332	34.9
1950	98,134	(x)	(x)	40,342	41.1	1980	164,595	86,515	52.6	77,995	47.4
1952	99,929	61,551	61.6	57,571	57.6	1982	169,936	(x)	(x)	64,514	38.0
1954	102,075	(x)	(x)	42,580	41.7	1984	174,468	92,653	53.1	83,231	47.7
1956	104,515	62,027	59.3	58,426	55.9	1986	178,566	(x)	(x)	59,619	33.4
1958	106,447	(x)	(x)	45,818	43.0	1988	182,779	91,595	50.1	81,786	44.7
						1990	185,812	(x)	(x)	61,513	33.1

X Not applicable.

Population 18 and over beginning 1972; prior to 1972 population 21 and over except population 18 and over in Georgia since 1944, 18 and over in Kentucky since 1956, 19 and over in Alaska, and 20 and over in Hawaii.

Beginning 1972 includes votes cast for delegate in the District of Columbia.

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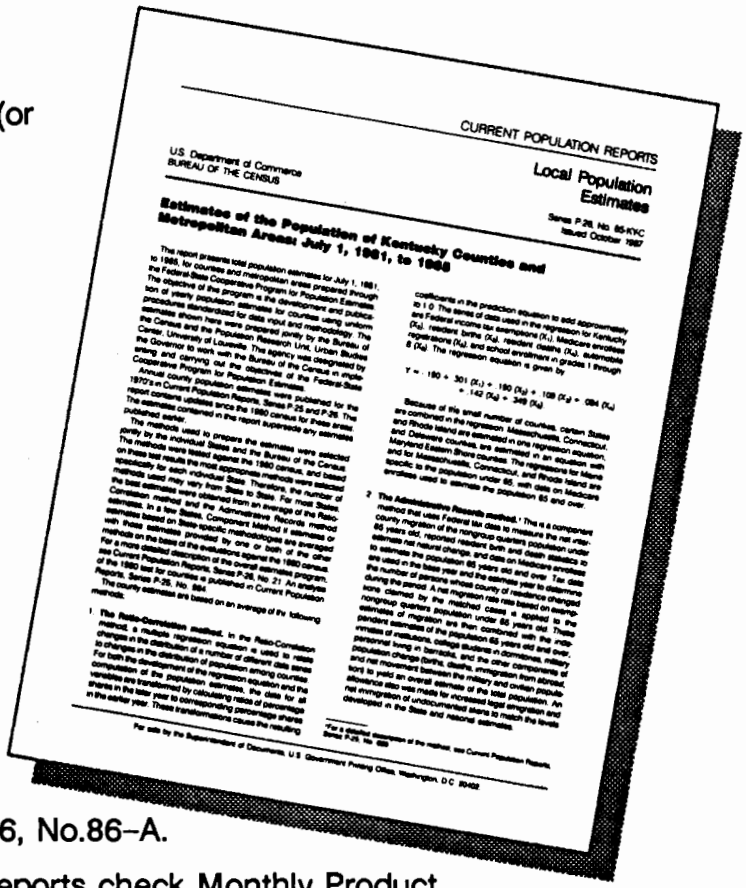

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